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In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 49-56 without prejudice.

Please amend the claims as follows:

59. (Amended) A composition according to claim [56] 58 wherein said spacer is a conductive oligomer.

60. (Amended) A composition according to claim [56] 58 wherein said spacer is an insulator.

61. (Amended) A composition according to claim [56] 58 wherein said passivation agent layer further comprises insulators.

REMARKS

Claims 47-67 are pending. Claims 47, 48, 57, and 62-67 have been allowed.

Applicants have cancelled Claims 49-56. An appendix of pending and allowed claims is attached for the Examiner's convenience.

Applicants have amended claims 59-61 to correct dependency.

No new matter has been added by these amendments. Applicants, therefore, respectfully request entering of the amendments.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph:

Claims 50, 51, 55, 56, and 59-61 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite.

Without agreeing with the propriety of the rejection, and in the interests of furthering the prosecution, Applicants have cancelled Claims 50, 51, 55 and 56, thus making the rejection moot.

The Examiner notes that an unclarity present in Claim 50 is also present in dependent Claims 59-61. The Examiner asserts that Claim 50 describes a composition wherein an oligomer has